

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A vehicular headlamp for emitting light toward a predetermined emitting direction, comprising:
 - a plurality of semiconductor light emitting devices approximately aligned; and
 - an optical component, having its optical center on one of said plurality of semiconductor light emitting devices, operable to irradiate light emitted by said plurality of semiconductor light emitting devices toward said emitting direction.
2. A vehicular headlamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein said plurality of semiconductor light emitting device are aligned in a predetermined aligning direction;
 - said one semiconductor light emitting device has a side at an end thereof, said side extending in said aligning direction; and
 - said optical component has said optical center on said side and forms at least a part of a cut line for defining a boundary between a bright region and a dark region in a light distribution pattern of said vehicular headlamp based on light emitted by a portion near said side of said one semiconductor light emitting device.
3. A vehicular headlamp as claimed in claim 2, wherein said vehicular headlamp emits said light ahead of an automobile, and
 - said plurality of semiconductor light emitting devices are aligned in an approximately transverse direction of the automobile.

4. A vehicular headlamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein an odd number of semiconductor light emitting devices are provided, and

said optical component has said optical center on one of said semiconductor light emitting devices that is positioned at a center of them.

5. A vehicular headlamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein an even number of semiconductor light emitting devices are provided, said semiconductor light emitting devices being arranged asymmetrically with respect to said optical center of said optical component, and

said optical component forms at least a part of a light distribution pattern of said vehicular headlamp based on said light emitted by said semiconductor light emitting devices.